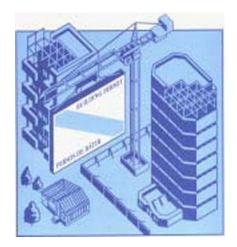


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PD Planning District A.R. Agglomération de recensement BOR Borough PDR Planning District Remainder С RCR Rural County Remainder City C.A. Census Agglomeration RGM Regional Municipality CC **Chartered Community** R.M.R. Région métropolitaine de recensement CDR Census Division Remainder RDR Regional District Remainder CM County (Municipality) **Rural Municipality** RM C.M.A. Census Metropolitan Area RV Resort Village COM Community SA Special Area CR County Remainder S-E Indian Settleman/Établissement indien CT Canton SCM Subdivision of County Municipality CU Cantons-Unis SD Sans désignation DM District (Municipality) SET Settlement HAM Hamlet SM Specialize Municipality ID Improvement District SRD Subdivision of Regional District IGD Indian Government District SUN Subdivision of Unorganized District **LGD** SV Summer Village Local Government District LOT Lot and Royalty Т Town M Municipalité T.N.O. Territoires du Nord-Ouest MD **Municipal District** TP Township Northern Hamlet **UCR Urban County Remainder** NH NT Northern Town UNO Unorganized/Non organisé NV Northern Village \/ Ville NorthWest Territories VC Village Cri N.W.T. Village Paroisse VL

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Part I – Analysis

Highlights

The value of building permits retreated 9.5% in May to \$4.1 billion as construction intentions declined in both residential and non-residential sectors. After an exceptional month in April, the level recorded in May was the lowest in the past 9 months.

Builders took out permits worth \$2.7 billion for housing in May, down 12.7% from April. This decline came on the heels of April's \$3.1 billion record high and still left May's total 2.4% above the average monthly level in 2003, a banner year. A marked retreat in the multi-family component largely explained the decline.

In the non-residential sector, construction intentions fell 2.4% to \$1.4 billion as the increase in the industrial component was more than offset by the declines in the commercial and institutional permits. The non-residential sector has been on a downward trend since July 2003.

So far this year, municipalities have issued a total of \$21.7 billion in building permits, up 6.4% from the same period in 2003. This advance came from the sustained demand for new dwellings since the beginning of the year. The cumulative value for housing permits totalled \$14.5 billion, a 16.9% growth from the same period in 2003. In contrast, the non-residential permits declined 10.2% to \$7.1 billion.

Regionally, Montreal and Vancouver recorded by far the largest advance (in dollars) in the cumulative value of permits. In both areas, the strong demand for new dwellings drove the figures up. Nearly 21,000 new dwelling units have been approved in these two metropolitan areas alone. In contrast, Toronto and Hamilton recorded the largest retreats from last year due to the important declines in the institutional and industrial components.

Sharp decline in multi-family permits

Municipalities issued \$781 million in permits for multi-family dwellings in May, a 30.0% drop from April's record high, and the lowest level since April 2003. The value of single family dwellings declined 3.1% to \$1.9 billion, the fourth monthly decline since the beginning of the year.

May's decline came in large part from Ontario, where the value of housing permits fell 27.9% to \$1.0 billion in May from a record \$1.4 billion in April. In contrast, Alberta posted the largest gains, due to single-family permits.

Despite the retreat in the value of residential permits in May, the level remained relatively high. Since the beginning of 2004, the housing sector has been positively affected by the strong growth in full-time employment and by the low mortgage rates.

The strength in the housing sector had a positive impact on other sectors. Sales in building and outdoor home supplies stores remained at record high levels. Continued strong demand in the construction sector and soaring prices were the forces behind record high shipments of wood products in April. Also, in May, gains in the employment in the construction sector totalled 52,000 persons from a year

For the January-to-May period, 97,900 new dwelling units have been approved by municipal authorities, 10,325 more than the same period last year.

The value of single-family permits was up 12.0% to \$9.8 billion while the value of multi-family permits totalled \$4.7 billion, a 28.6% gain from last year.

All provinces and territories showed marked advances in residential permits on a year-to-date basis.

Non-Residential projects give up ground

Declines in the non-residential sector were lead by a 15.2% slide in the value of institutional permits to \$394 million. This pegs the level nearly \$95 million short of last year's monthly average.

The inability of new spending intentions to keep last months approvals pace for social services buildings and educational projects precipitated the drop. Ontario's shedding of 47.4% from last month to \$132 million, lead the decliners.

The commercial sector gave up some of last month's growth, slipping 3.9% to \$724 million. This is 6.9% lower than the monthly average set last year and comes as the value of permits for this category fell particularly hard in Alberta and Nova Scotia. The value of recreational permits staged a retreat in both provinces and was compounded by a drop in trade and service building permit values in Alberta.

Industrial building permits rebounded 30.6% from last month to \$279 million. April had seen permit values hit a monthly low not seen since March of 2002. Factory and utility and transportation sector permits in Ontario catalyzed the advances. In spite of the gains in the value of industrial permits issued, the sector in 2004 lags 17.9% behind last years record setting pace.

In the commercial sector; despite the monthly decline, the value of projects approved in 2004 remains relatively high. This is consistent with the upward trend in retail sales since the fall of 2001 and a declining office vacancy rate nationally. Meanwhile, the latest business conditions survey revealed manufacturers to be guarded in their outlook for the second quarter of 2004 despite a number of positive trends. In the industrial sector capacity utilization which climbed to 83.5% in the first quarter still remains below the most recent high of 85.4% reached in the final quarter of 1999.

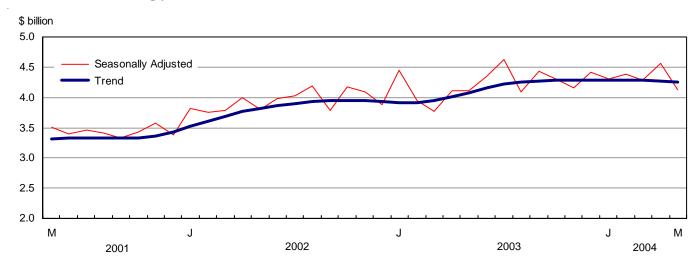
Provincially, five of the provinces staged retreats with Alberta seeing the greatest decline, shedding 21.8%% to \$207 million, while Ontario sloughed off 8.3% to \$577 million. These were backstopped by gains in Quebec, the Yukon and British Columbia.

On a year-to-date basis, municipalities have issued \$7.1 billion in non-residential building permits, down 10.2% from the first five months of last year.

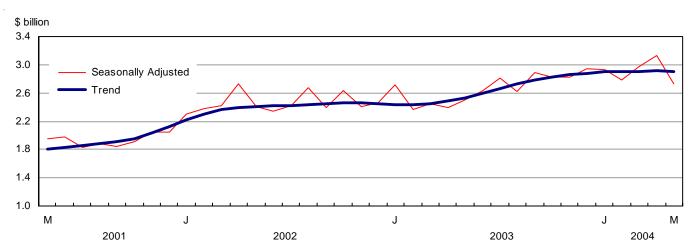
All three components have failed to match last year's pace. But the commercial sector is down only 1.7% to \$3.8 billion on a cumulative basis. The institutional sector is down 19.0% while the industrial sector is off 17.9%

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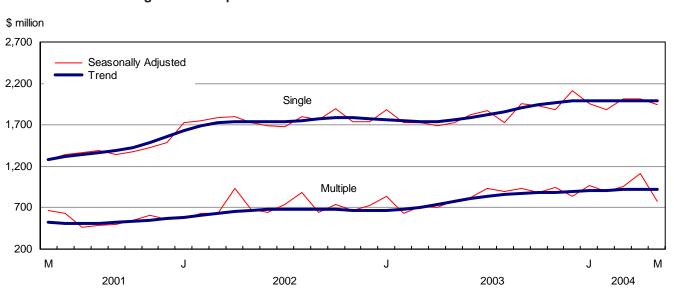
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Residential value - Total

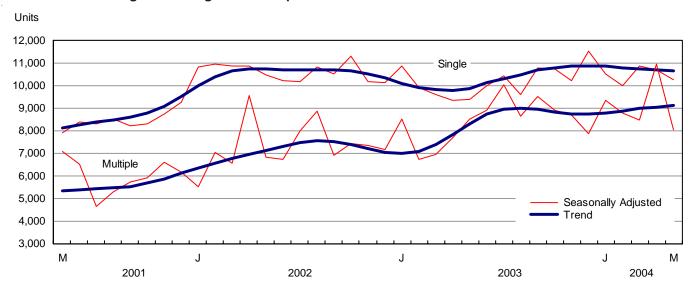


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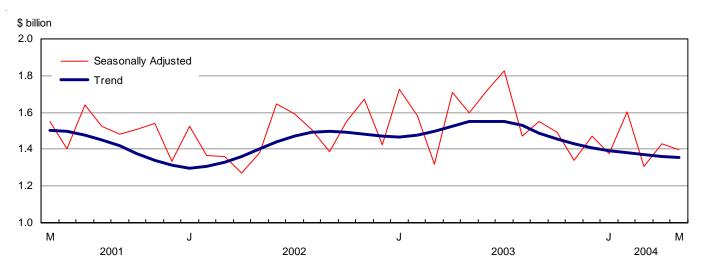


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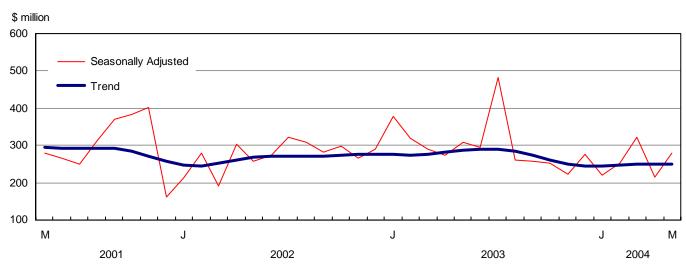
Number of dwelling units - single and multiple



Non residential value - Total

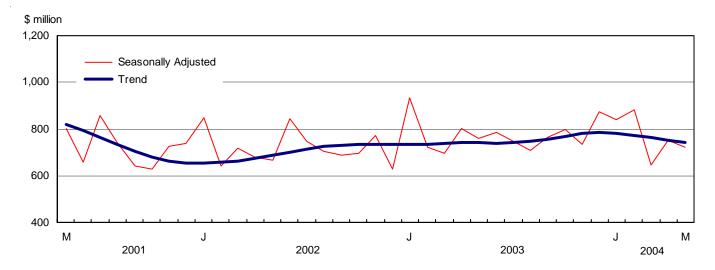


Industrial value

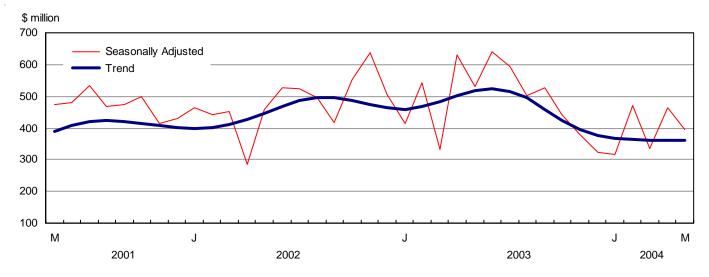


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Commercial value



Institutional and Governmental value



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Part II – Tables (Seasonally Adjusted)

Table 1 Total Value of Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Seasonally Adjusted

| Province/Territory | 2004 | 2004 | B.4 | A | M. F.L | F.I. L. | L. B. | Dec Nov. |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | May - Apr. | Apr Mar. | Mar Feb. | Feb Jan. | Jan Dec. | Dec Nov. |
| | thousands | s of dollars | | | percentag | e change | | |
| Canada | 4,125,006 | 4,557,300 | -9.5 | 6.5 | -2.6 | 2.0 | -2.6 | 6.3 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | 43,543 | 37,835 | 15.1 | -8.5 | 4.5 | -0.1 | -10.6 | 6.5 |
| Prince Edward Island | 12,923 | 19,160 | -32.6 | 51.7 | 10.4 | -18.5 | -27.7 | 179.2 |
| Nova Scotia | 108,134 | 118,924 | -9.1 | 48.9 | 17.7 | -13.2 | 3.3 | -18.5 |
| New Brunswick | 58,069 | 61,803 | -6.0 | -5.0 | 54.6 | -30.3 | 25.9 | -26.2 |
| Québec | 931,093 | 905,281 | 2.9 | -7.0 | -4.3 | 0.3 | 11.9 | 5.9 |
| Ontario | 1,600,298 | 2,047,852 | -21.9 | 20.2 | -10.3 | 5.9 | -9.3 | 4.6 |
| Manitoba | 83,400 | 80,742 | 3.3 | -11.1 | 5.5 | 20.5 | -12.1 | 11.8 |
| Saskatchewan | 74,286 | 78,359 | -5.2 | 37.2 | 17.8 | 1.7 | -39.1 | 58.9 |
| Alberta | 595,891 | 631,699 | -5.7 | -4.1 | 28.8 | 11.8 | -20.1 | 7.1 |
| British Columbia | 579,946 | 561,832 | 3.2 | -4.3 | -9.3 | -10.7 | 20.2 | 14.8 |
| Yukon | 26,849 | 5,850 | 359.0 | 69.6 | 159.4 | -43.2 | -42.0 | 231.5 |
| Northwest Territories | 8,104 | 6,376 | 27.1 | 114.5 | -70.0 | 220.7 | -68.0 | 32.2 |
| Nunavut | 2,470 | 1,587 | 55.6 | -12.3 | -80.8 | 31,300.0 | 20.0 | -99.8 |

Table 2 Non-Residential Value of Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Seasonally Adjusted

| Province/Territory | 2004 | 2004 | | A | M. F.L | F.L. L. | le De | D. N. |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | April ^r | May - Apr. | Apr Mar. | Mar Feb. | Feb Jan. | Jan Dec. | Dec Nov. |
| | thousands | s of dollars | | | percentag | e change | | |
| Canada | 1,396,539 | 1,431,183 | -2.4 | 9.5 | -18.6 | 16.5 | -6.4 | 10.0 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | 11,123 | 5,832 | 90.7 | -56.5 | 138.2 | -43.2 | -20.8 | 7.7 |
| Prince Edward Island | 4,978 | 10,528 | -52.7 | 426.1 | 98.3 | -80.2 | -52.9 | 257.2 |
| Nova Scotia | 36,172 | 39,581 | -8.6 | 125.9 | -25.3 | -32.4 | 61.0 | -6.5 |
| New Brunswick | 20,360 | 20,618 | -1.3 | 31.5 | 102.9 | 29.3 | -41.0 | -59.0 |
| Québec | 298,531 | 273,318 | 9.2 | -31.5 | -3.3 | 44.2 | 17.3 | 8.1 |
| Ontario | 577,320 | 629,907 | -8.3 | 26.7 | -35.8 | 19.0 | -15.2 | 19.2 |
| Manitoba | 32,758 | 27,657 | 18.4 | -18.1 | -10.4 | 64.4 | -26.8 | -3.0 |
| Saskatchewan | 40,876 | 36,516 | 11.9 | 65.9 | 19.0 | -5.3 | -62.3 | 151.5 |
| Alberta | 207,140 | 264,940 | -21.8 | 55.8 | 5.3 | 20.8 | -27.3 | 5.4 |
| British Columbia | 135,971 | 118,276 | 15.0 | -12.4 | -7.6 | -29.9 | 55.4 | -19.8 |
| Yukon | 25,147 | 665 | 3,681.5 | 166.0 | -52.8 | 14.2 | -56.4 | 260.7 |
| Northwest Territories | 4,676 | 2,420 | 93.2 | 1,357.8 | -97.9 | 703.1 | -79.6 | 142.6 |
| Nunavut | 1,487 | 925 | 60.8 | -21.3 | -86.2 | 28,300.0 | 20.0 | -99.8 |

Table 3
Residential Value of Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Seasonally Adjusted

| Province/Territory | 2004 | 2004 | NA A | A M | Man Fab | Fab. Jan | Inn. Den | Dan Nav |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | May - Apr. | Apr Mar. | Mar Feb. | Feb Jan. | Jan Dec. | Dec Nov. |
| | thousands | s of dollars | | | percentag | e change | | |
| Canada | 2,728,467 | 3,126,117 | -12.7 | 5.2 | 6.7 | -4.9 | -0.7 | 4.5 |
| Newfoundland | 32,420 | 32,003 | 1.3 | 14.4 | -17.7 | 14.2 | -6.5 | 6.1 |
| Prince Edward Island | 7,945 | 8,632 | -8.0 | -18.8 | 1.9 | 16.6 | 4.1 | 119.0 |
| Nova Scotia | 71,962 | 79,343 | -9.3 | 27.3 | 40.4 | 2.0 | -19.6 | -22.5 |
| New Brunswick | 37,709 | 41,185 | -8.4 | -16.5 | 43.7 | -36.9 | 43.8 | -6.1 |
| Québec | 632,562 | 631,963 | 0.1 | 9.9 | -4.9 | -16.9 | 9.9 | 5.2 |
| Ontario | 1,022,978 | 1,417,945 | -27.9 | 17.5 | 7.3 | -1.6 | -5.6 | -3.0 |
| Manitoba | 50,642 | 53,085 | -4.6 | -7.0 | 17.8 | -0.2 | -2.9 | 23.6 |
| Saskatchewan | 33,410 | 41,843 | -20.2 | 19.3 | 17.1 | 6.5 | 6.1 | -7.5 |
| Alberta | 388,751 | 366,759 | 6.0 | -25.0 | 39.7 | 8.1 | -16.7 | 7.9 |
| British Columbia | 443,975 | 443,556 | 0.1 | -1.9 | -9.8 | -2.9 | 10.1 | 30.9 |
| Yukon | 1,702 | 5,185 | -67.2 | 62.0 | 300.0 | -57.4 | -36.9 | 222.2 |
| Northwest Territories | 3,428 | 3,956 | -13.3 | 40.9 | 40.1 | -5.0 | -56.3 | -9.3 |
| Nunavut | 983 | 662 | 48.5 | 4.4 | -29.6 | | | -100.0 |

Table 4
Number of Dwelling Units Authorized, Provinces and Territories, Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rate

| Province/Territory | 2004 | 2004 | NA A | A N | Man Fab | Fall Jan | Inn. Dan | Dan Nau |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | May ^p | | May - Apr. | Apr Mar. | Mar Feb. | Feb Jan. | Jan Dec. | Dec Nov. |
| | uni | ts | | | percentag | e change | | |
| Canada | 219,624 | 259,440 | -15.3 | 12.0 | 2.9 | -5.6 | 2.5 | 2.6 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | 2,664 | 2,856 | -6.7 | 19.0 | -11.9 | 5.6 | -15.4 | 16.0 |
| Prince Edward Island | 1,188 | 792 | 50.0 | -18.5 | 12.5 | -14.3 | 61.5 | 85.7 |
| Nova Scotia | 7,308 | 6,720 | 8.8 | 16.9 | 38.8 | 10.2 | -13.8 | -32.4 |
| New Brunswick | 4,668 | 4,740 | -1.5 | -1.5 | 53.1 | -12.7 | -4.2 | -19.3 |
| Québec | 55,692 | 53,076 | 4.9 | 14.3 | -9.9 | -34.1 | 41.0 | 0.7 |
| Ontario | 70,776 | 112,656 | -37.2 | 40.3 | -10.0 | 15.7 | -11.5 | -7.8 |
| Manitoba | 4,596 | 4,188 | 9.7 | -4.4 | 2.5 | 6.6 | -13.7 | 41.2 |
| Saskatchewan | 3,048 | 4,692 | -35.0 | 30.8 | 59.9 | -5.1 | 10.1 | -13.1 |
| Alberta | 39,780 | 34,656 | 14.8 | -31.2 | 51.0 | 0.4 | -14.9 | 21.7 |
| British Columbia | 29,592 | 34,284 | -13.7 | 8.0 | -5.5 | 3.3 | 0.9 | 30.9 |
| Yukon | 144 | 336 | -57.1 | 16.7 | | -100.0 | | -100.0 |
| Northwest Territories | 108 | 276 | -60.9 | -46.5 | 186.7 | 50.0 | -75.0 | -9.1 |
| Nunavut | 60 | 168 | -64.3 | 0.0 | 1,300.0 | | | -100.0 |

Table 5 Dwelling Units, Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Seasonally Adjusted, 2004

| Month | Numb | er of dwelling | g units | | | Estimated valu | e of construction | n | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Singles ¹ | Multiples | Total | Residential | | Non-re | esidential | | Total |
| | | | dwellings | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and govern- mental | Total | |
| | | units | | | | thousand | s of dollars | | |
| Canada April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 10,678 10,274 52,319 49,102 | 10,942 8,028 45,577 38,468 | 21,620 18,302 97,896 87,570 | 3,126,117 2,728,467 14,541,065 12,434,517 | 213,727 279,077 1,289,042 1,570,247 | 752,719 723,595 3,844,507 3,910,559 | 464,737 393,867 1,984,561 2,449,670 | 1,431,183 1,396,539 7,118,110 7,930,476 | 4,557,300 4,125,006 21,659,175 20,364,993 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 209 173 966 691 | 29 49 136 91 | 238 222 1,102 782 | 32,003 32,420 156,093 101,545 | 758 52 1,398 1,704 | 4,020 10,680 41,103 30,845 | 1,054 391 3,385 8,296 | 5,832 11,123 45,886 40,845 | 37,835 43,543 201,979 142,390 |
| Prince Edward Island April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 52 92 356 327 | 14 7 46 74 | 66 99 402 401 | 8,632 7,945 46,579 40,028 | 300 1,294 1,644 1,307 | 10,228 2,684 15,953 38,719 | 0 1,000 6,016 6,992 | 10,528 4,978 23,613 47,018 | 19,160 12,923 70,192 87,046 |
| Nova Scotia April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 272 274 1,303 1,303 | 288 335 1,003 838 | 560 609 2,306 2,141 | 79,343 71,962 301,526 262,211 | 1,545 3,727 16,233 30,783 | 34,694 11,800 103,292 85,737 | 3,342 20,645 31,860 31,402 | 39,581 36,172 151,385 147,922 | 118,924 108,134 452,911 410,133 |
| New Brunswick April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 277 258 1,380 1,071 | 118 131 367 512 | 395 389 1,747 1,583 | 41,185 37,709 216,988 167,448 | 5,202 2,487 17,526 12,843 | 10,540 12,961 40,619 51,730 | 4,876 4,912 12,225 11,941 | 20,618 20,360 70,370 76,514 | 61,803 58,069 287,358 243,962 |
| Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 2,075 2,158 10,604 9,184 | 2,348 2,483 13,147 10,297 | 4,423 4,641 23,751 19,481 | 631,963 632,562 3,172,326 2,416,309 | 61,247 43,209 378,799 269,469 | 125,221 164,844 824,280 823,966 | 86,850 90,478 465,428 392,297 | 273,318 298,531 1,668,507 1,485,732 | 905,281 931,093 4,840,833 3,902,041 |
| Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 4,396 3,980 20,274 20,165 | 4,992 1,918 15,566 14,290 | 9,388 5,898 35,840 34,455 | 1,417,945 1,022,978 5,916,190 5,607,639 | 107,248 159,952 644,266 967,455 | 271,356 285,283 1,479,452 1,592,286 | 251,303 132,085 1,005,631 1,397,005 | 629,907 577,320 3,129,349 3,956,746 | 2,047,852 1,600,298 9,045,539 9,564,385 |
| Manitoba April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 313 278 1,549 1,185 | 36 105 238 225 | 349 383 1,787 1,410 | 53,085 50,642 257,766 196,484 | 4,009 4,099 19,081 41,177 | 15,501 15,996 90,329 142,133 | 8,147 12,663 45,381 137,958 | 27,657 32,758 154,791 321,268 | 80,742 83,400 412,557 517,752 |
| Saskatchewan April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 166 159 821 706 | 225 95 507 830 | 391 254 1,328 1,536 | 41,843 33,410 168,410 152,619 | 1,117 3,184 14,106 10,245 | 25,975 17,503 75,629 113,652 | 9,424 20,189 47,708 57,011 | 36,516 40,876 137,443 180,908 | 78,359 74,286 305,853 333,527 |

Table 5

Dwelling Units, Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Seasonally Adjusted, 2004 – Concluded

| Month | Numb | er of dwelling | g units | | | Estimated valu | e of construction | | |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Singles ¹ | Multiples | Total dwellings | Residential | | Non-re | esidential | | Total |
| | awonings | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and govern- mental | Total | | | |
| | | units | | | | thousand | s of dollars | | |
| Alberta April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,630 1,735 8,721 9,194 | 1,258 1,580 7,225 6,010 | 2,888 3,315 15,946 15,204 | 366,759 388,751 1,918,064 1,737,933 | 18,574 43,279 116,900 143,187 | 166,971 114,769 607,360 567,603 | 79,395 49,092 213,338 210,366 | 264,940 207,140 937,598 921,156 | 631,699 595,891 2,855,662 2,659,089 |
| British Columbia April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,249 1,146 6,181 5,168 | 1,608 1,320 7,298 5,262 | 2,857 2,466 13,479 10,430 | 443,556 443,975 2,356,878 1,732,377 | 13,719 17,329 78,231 90,594 | 85,469 82,588 549,600 449,145 | 19,088 36,054 115,977 177,751 | 118,276 135,971 743,808 717,490 | 561,832 579,946 3,100,686 2,449,867 |
| Yukon Territory April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 18 10 61 48 | 10 2 13 9 | 28 12 74 57 | 5,185 1,702 12,764 8,496 | 8 420 472 33 | 484 64 1,253 9,332 | 173 24,663 25,331 3,464 | 665 25,147 27,056 12,829 | 5,850 26,849 39,820 21,325 |
| Northwest Territories April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 19 9 96 57 | 4 0 4 30 | 23 9 100 87 | 3,956 3,428 14,302 10,586 | 0 45 386 1,448 | 2,230 4,381 15,255 5,236 | 190 250 526 8,099 | 2,420 4,676 16,167 14,783 | 6,376 8,104 30,469 25,369 |
| Nunavut April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 2 2 7 3 | 12 3 27 0 | 14 5 34 3 | 662 983 3,179 842 | 0 0 0 2 | 30 42 382 175 | 895 1,445 11,755 7,088 | 925 1,487 12,137 7,265 | 1,587 2,470 15,316 8,107 |

¹ Included in this category are the following types of dwellings: single-detached, mobile home and cottage.

Table 6 Dwelling Units, Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Census Metropolitan Areas, Seasonally Adjusted, 2004

| Month | Numb | er of dwelling | g units | | | Estimated valu | e of construction | | |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| | Singles ¹ | Multiples | Total | Residential | | Non-re | sidential | | Total |
| | | | dwellings | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and govern- mental | Total | |
| | | units | | | | thousand | s of dollars | | |
| Abbotsford, British Columbia April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 45 44 266 334 | 0 29 155 87 | 45 73 421 421 | 6,990 10,462 52,738 50,585 | 2,060 419 7,322 5,993 | 7 150 4,158 16,429 | 0 450 1,785 2,818 | 2,067 1,019 13,265 25,240 | 9,057 11,481 66,003 75,825 |
| Calgary, Alberta April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 625 611 3,327 3,685 | 403 678 2,994 2,396 | 1,028 1,289 6,321 6,081 | 137,970 156,714 800,166 750,644 | 9,761 2,310 21,383 70,180 | 100,168 38,736 288,490 279,389 | 55,943 13,855 93,067 67,086 | 165,872 54,901 402,940 416,655 | 303,842 211,615 1,203,106 1,167,299 |
| Edmonton, Alberta April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 385 553 2,460 2,511 | 669 591 3,286 2,640 | 1,054 1,144 5,746 5,151 | 120,529 128,063 579,772 483,508 | 2,406 9,855 22,031 19,888 | 36,654 39,115 161,388 132,595 | 7,764 7,354 34,052 59,585 | 46,824 56,324 217,471 212,068 | 167,353 184,387 797,243 695,576 |
| Greater Sudbury, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 26 51 106 123 | 0 3 3 3 | 26 54 109 126 | 4,661 8,319 18,344 21,343 | 765 33 1,410 929 | 744 1,123 3,634 9,002 | 127 12,400 14,285 10,670 | 1,636 13,556 19,329 20,601 | 6,297 21,875 37,673 41,944 |
| Halifax, Nova Scotia April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 123 110 582 619 | 249 250 770 584 | 372 360 1,352 1,203 | 52,348 40,421 182,822 155,463 | 0 500 2,199 19,380 | 24,910 8,199 48,015 37,685 | 2,639 18,830 26,650 8,721 | 27,549 27,529 76,864 65,786 | 79,897 67,950 259,686 221,249 |
| Hamilton, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 182 160 706 745 | 93 71 711 507 | 275 231 1,417 1,252 | 44,086 43,612 227,578 195,120 | 1,641 661 22,395 57,054 | 16,483 22,206 75,230 53,186 | 17,205 4,884 28,553 217,443 | 35,329 27,751 126,178 327,683 | 79,415 71,363 353,756 522,803 |
| Kingston, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 59 85 255 288 | 17 6 36 31 | 76 91 291 319 | 9,652 14,015 40,552 42,674 | 175 60 967 1,970 | 2,353 697 10,816 34,401 | 152 17,493 30,313 15,120 | 2,680 18,250 42,096 51,491 | 12,332 32,265 82,648 94,165 |
| Kitchener, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 154 185 878 1,112 | 78 113 523 545 | 232 298 1,401 1,657 | 35,162 46,510 207,325 240,930 | 3,310 5,942 28,154 40,285 | 10,861 12,839 54,951 67,198 | 9,309 9,976 96,772 57,837 | 23,480 28,757 179,877 165,320 | 58,642 75,267 387,202 406,250 |
| London, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 228 199 911 747 | 48 160 535 438 | 276 359 1,446 1,185 | 39,846 44,600 199,460 149,740 | 3,234 4,136 16,013 24,612 | 6,338 13,380 58,985 44,443 | 23,402 6,730 94,972 92,367 | 32,974 24,246 169,970 161,422 | 72,820 68,846 369,430 311,162 |
| Montréal, Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 934 1,042 4,692 3,977 | 1,466 1,465 8,340 5,893 | 2,400 2,507 13,032 9,870 | 331,966 342,474 1,713,053 1,235,201 | 30,792 10,415 145,884 111,290 | 64,114 67,589 431,152 491,780 | 74,271 30,611 253,598 217,599 | 169,177 108,615 830,634 820,669 | 501,143 451,089 2,543,687 2,055,870 |

Table 6

Dwelling Units, Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Census Metropolitan Areas, Seasonally Adjusted, 2004 – Continued

| Month | Numb | er of dwelling | g units | | | Estimated valu | e of construction | | |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Singles ¹ Multiples | | Total | Residential | | Non-re | esidential | | Total |
| | | | dwellings | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and govern- mental | Total | |
| | | units | | | | thousand | s of dollars | | |
| Oshawa, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 243 176 810 1,023 | 279 83 783 523 | 522 259 1,593 1,546 | 80,691 45,325 271,551 269,692 | 338 883 11,779 92,493 | 7,187 6,442 29,961 35,267 | 5,121 1,427 33,710 39,841 | 12,646 8,752 75,450 167,601 | 93,337 54,077 347,001 437,293 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 291 247 1,221 1,325 | 287 288 1,691 1,480 | 578 535 2,912 2,805 | 97,929 81,699 451,190 426,974 | 998 1,258 4,979 18,771 | 20,578 33,384 140,675 234,189 | 1,031 7,526 67,053 48,328 | 22,607 42,168 212,707 301,288 | 120,536 123,867 663,897 728,262 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 132 152 650 523 | 61 56 315 544 | 193 208 965 1,067 | 30,505 30,644 143,442 126,232 | 855 352 7,578 2,118 | 3,086 9,770 33,736 40,308 | 675 510 11,680 18,875 | 4,616 10,632 52,994 61,301 | 35,121 41,276 196,436 187,533 |
| Québec, Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 222 208 1,145 1,148 | 386 425 1,715 1,521 | 608 633 2,860 2,669 | 85,906 69,776 347,536 277,155 | 3,296 3,091 15,079 18,040 | 10,061 38,974 130,152 94,770 | 2,529 38,091 76,456 31,401 | 15,886 80,156 221,687 144,211 | 101,792 149,932 569,223 421,366 |
| Regina, Saskatchewan April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 61 49 242 210 | 76 0 163 201 | 137 49 405 411 | 14,726 8,181 53,755 43,458 | 86 942 7,367 436 | 6,559 6,448 24,308 54,207 | 1 1,882 9,222 15,842 | 6,646 9,272 40,897 70,485 | 21,372 17,453 94,652 113,943 |
| Saguenay, Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 15 12 61 119 | 7 12 83 95 | 22 24 144 214 | 3,930 3,565 17,008 27,882 | 1,437 1,327 4,667 3,306 | 4,050 3,222 10,634 17,338 | 213 1,073 3,532 14,376 | 5,700 5,622 18,833 35,020 | 9,630 9,187 35,841 62,902 |
| Saint John, New Brunswick April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 41 42 196 193 | 23 18 59 64 | 64 60 255 257 | 6,142 7,369 31,841 28,940 | 457 297 3,226 3,464 | 2,730 1,087 6,377 5,905 | 540 493 1,124 2,521 | 3,727 1,877 10,727 11,890 | 9,869 9,246 42,568 40,830 |
| Saskatoon, Saskatchewan April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 57 75 308 291 | 106 86 292 620 | 163 161 600 911 | 16,222 17,610 65,961 74,079 | 591 1,597 3,805 3,204 | 5,275 4,660 22,567 24,410 | 183 2,605 4,619 15,099 | 6,049 8,862 30,991 42,713 | 22,271 26,472 96,952 116,792 |
| Sherbrooke, Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 52 47 232 243 | 34 78 336 157 | 86 125 568 400 | 12,547 15,784 64,185 54,051 | 506 1,416 5,626 4,310 | 3,535 447 17,827 10,833 | 788 674 5,711 12,416 | 4,829 2,537 29,164 27,559 | 17,376 18,321 93,349 81,610 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 99 123 462 456 | 48 14 183 121 | 147 137 645 577 | 23,644 26,581 112,518 90,541 | 991 3,103 9,909 9,452 | 13,720 19,355 90,003 79,054 | 6,434 7,430 27,032 21,937 | 21,145 29,888 126,944 110,443 | 44,789 56,469 239,462 200,984 |

Table 6 Dwelling Units, Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Census Metropolitan Areas, Seasonally Adjusted, 2004 -Concluded

| Month | Numb | er of dwelling | g units | | | Estimated valu | e of construction | n | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Singles ¹ | Multiples | Total | Residential | | Non-re | esidential | | Total |
| | | aweilings | dwellings | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and govern- mental | Total | |
| | | units | | | | thousand | s of dollars | | |
| St. John's, Newfoundland and April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 143 126 689 479 | 24 41 123 80 | 167 167 812 559 | 23,012 24,911 115,345 74,076 | 520 50 712 1,601 | 3,228 7,508 30,226 18,895 | 1,054 12 2,391 6,999 | 4,802 7,570 33,329 27,495 | 27,814 32,481 148,674 101,571 |
| Thunder Bay, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 26 36 77 71 | 2 3 8 77 | 28 39 85 148 | 5,338 6,606 15,464 18,815 | 981 33 1,304 13,496 | 1,402 495 10,253 6,531 | 376 7 7,439 3,492 | 2,759 535 18,996 23,519 | 8,097 7,141 34,460 42,334 |
| Toronto, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,588 1,286 8,054 8,069 | 3,740 912 9,236 9,024 | 5,328 2,198 17,290 17,093 | 770,226 416,768 2,945,541 2,888,171 | 36,374 99,514 313,763 447,452 | 146,491 128,260 737,593 743,357 | 62,445 44,984 375,412 580,371 | 245,310 272,758 1,426,768 1,771,180 | 1,015,536 689,526 4,372,309 4,659,351 |
| Trois-Rivières, Quebec April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 27 36 122 123 | 26 65 189 105 | 53 101 311 228 | 8,304 12,261 38,013 32,983 | 640 115 6,355 3,149 | 6,683 4,128 18,636 11,092 | 74 998 2,489 9,617 | 7,397 5,241 27,480 23,858 | 15,701 17,502 65,493 56,841 |
| Vancouver, British Columbia April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 476 441 2,432 2,190 | 1,204 906 5,446 3,550 | 1,680 1,347 7,878 5,740 | 250,201 256,296 1,393,247 1,035,538 | 7,680 8,556 26,245 31,155 | 62,770 60,881 373,707 234,961 | 8,486 17,316 61,975 93,295 | 78,936 86,753 461,927 359,411 | 329,137 343,049 1,855,174 1,394,949 |
| Victoria, British Columbia April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 117 102 524 441 | 107 109 433 451 | 224 211 957 892 | 31,324 42,908 168,326 126,976 | 528 846 4,767 1,996 | 5,798 4,030 29,505 44,100 | 2,194 4,818 12,687 26,837 | 8,520 9,694 46,959 72,933 | 39,844 52,602 215,285 199,909 |
| Windsor, Ontario April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 165 134 668 703 | 86 43 381 291 | 251 177 1,049 994 | 37,529 31,700 157,554 156,078 | 5,221 258 11,503 30,374 | 2,654 5,833 35,561 38,790 | 2,937 1,227 6,635 30,014 | 10,812 7,318 53,699 99,178 | 48,341 39,018 211,253 255,256 |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba April ^r May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 203 176 964 625 | 25 54 92 108 | 228 230 1,056 733 | 35,646 30,866 151,417 109,143 | 1,140 661 12,090 13,034 | 12,068 9,409 60,414 116,258 | 6,918 11,176 38,840 94,853 | 20,126 21,246 111,344 224,145 | 55,772 52,112 262,761 333,288 |

¹ Included in this category are the following types of dwellings: single-detached, mobile home and cottage.

Part III - Tables (Unadjusted)

Table 7

Dwelling Units, Provinces and Territories, Unadjusted, 2004

| Month | | | N | umber of dwe | elling unit | | |
|--|---|------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Singles, includes mobile homes | Cottages | Doubles | Rows | Apartments | Conversions | Tota dwellings |
| Canada | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 13,258 | 66 | 1,073 | 1,663 | 7,439 | 488 | 23,987 |
| May ^p | 13,244 | 128 | 1,178 | 1,878 | 4,704 | 504 | 21,636 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 51,908 48,834 | 276 236 | 5,014 5,487 | 9,001 6,927 | 26,416 22,823 | 2,149 1,872 | 94,764 86,179 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 246 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 5 | 290 |
| May ^p | 306 767 | 4 8 | 4 14 | 3 6 | 53 99 | 1 10 | 371 904 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 594 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 4 | 688 688 |
| Prince Edward Island | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 63 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 77 |
| May ^p | 117 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 139 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 252 247 | 18 22 | 19 5 | 8 0 | 12 57 | 7 12 | 316 343 |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 360 | 4 | 5 | 19 | 265 | 7 | 660 |
| May ^p | 427 | 16 | 18 | 4 | 291 | 5 | 761 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 1,229 | 30 | 63 | 35 | 804 | 23 | 2,184 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,236 | 24 | 153 | 47 | 521 | 43 | 2,024 |
| New Brunswick | | | | | | | |
| Aprilr | 355 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 75 | 22 | 483 |
| May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 399 1,049 | 11 31 | 22 41 | 52 62 | 51 226 | 6 39 | 541 1,448 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 868 | 14 | 60 | 17 | 409 | 28 | 1,396 |
| Quebec | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 3,004 | 23 | 216 | 102 | 2,184 | 368 | 5,897 |
| May ^p | 2,954 | 33 91 | 210 | 140 761 | 1,958 8,928 | 268 | 5,563 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 11,753 10,543 | 88 | 1,063 859 | 300 | 0,920 7,974 | 1,257 1,028 | 23,853 20,792 |
| Ontario | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 5,227 | 16 | 445 | 965 | 2,951 | 48 | 9,652 |
| May ^p | 4,836 | 33 | 595 | 1,015 | 557 | 163 | 7,199 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 19,742 19,333 | 58 35 | 2,437 3,268 | 5,148 3,920 | 6,396 6,132 | 424 443 | 34,205 33,131 |
| Manitoba | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 415 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 30 | 1 | 457 |
| May ^p | 419 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 97 | 0 | 526 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 1,504 | 10 | 23 | 2 | 212 | 2 | 1,753 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,141 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 208 | 3 | 1,373 |

Table 7 **Dwelling Units, Provinces and Territories, Unadjusted, 2004** – Concluded

| Month | | | N | lumber of dwe | elling unit | | |
|--|---|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|
| | Singles, includes mobile homes | Cottages | Doubles | Rows | Apartments | Conversions | Total dwellings |
| Saskatchewan | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 219 | 0 | 16 | 64 | 132 | 13 | 444 |
| May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 239 746 | 0 0 | 18 52 | 0 143 | 73 294 | 4 18 | 334 1,253 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 643 | 2 | 22 | 295 | 456 | 59 | 1,477 |
| Alberta | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 1,967 | 1 | 305 | 143 | 736 | 4 | 3,156 |
| May ^p | 2,147 | 3 | 225 | 243 | 926 | 19 | 3,563 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 8,747 | 9 | 1,010 | 672 | 4,782 | 249 | 15,469 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 9,025 | 26 | 861 | 903 | 3,656 | 59 | 14,530 |
| British Columbia | 4.070 | | 00 | 0.45 | | 40 | 0.040 |
| April ^r | 1,370 | 3 | 63 77 | 345 | 1,014 696 | 18 | 2,813 |
| May ^p | 1,371 6,022 | 11 21 | 291 | 421 2,154 | 4,635 | 29 115 | 2,605 13,238 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 5,134 | 9 | 249 | 1,439 | 3,293 | 190 | 10,314 |
| Yukon Territory | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 15 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| May ^p | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 15 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 35 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 48 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 29 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 40 |
| Northwest Territories | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 19 |
| May ^p | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 59 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 68 |
| Nunavut | • | | • | • | 40 | | |
| April ^r | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 14 |
| May ^p | 2 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 24 | 3 | 5 34 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 3 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 0 | 3 0 | 34 |
| Jumulative Jan May 2000 | 3 | U | U | U | U | U | 3 |

Table 8 Dwelling Units, Census Metropolitan Areas, Unadjusted, May 2004

| Census Metropolitan Areas | Number of dwelling unit | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|----------|---------|------|------------|-------------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| | Singles, includes mobile homes | Cottages | Doubles | Rows | Apartments | Conversions | Tota dwellings | | | |
| Abbotsford, British Columbia | 52 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 16 | 0 | 78 | | | |
| Calgary, Alberta | 735 | 0 | 98 | 133 | 342 | 16 | 1,324 | | | |
| Edmonton, Alberta | 666 | 0 | 53 | 60 | 399 | 1 | 1,179 | | | |
| Greater Sudbury, Ontario | 57 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 61 | | | |
| Halifax, Nova Scotia | 178 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 234 | 4 | 429 | | | |
| Hamilton, Ontario | 180 | 0 | 22 | 58 | 0 | 7 | 267 | | | |
| Kingston, Ontario | 95 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 102 | | | |
| Kitchener, Ontario | 208 | 0 | 12 | 103 | 13 | 10 | 346 | | | |
| London, Ontario | 224 | 0 | 2 | 51 | 142 | 0 | 419 | | | |
| Montréal, Quebec | 1,320 | 0 | 67 | 88 | 1,220 | 101 | 2,796 | | | |
| Oshawa, Ontario | 198 | 0 | 45 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 299 | | | |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec | 467 | 3 | 48 | 247 | 100 | 12 | 877 | | | |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec | 277 | 1 | 40 | 232 | 77 | 2 | 629 | | | |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec | 190 | 2 | 8 | 15 | 23 | 10 | 248 | | | |
| Québec, Quebec | 262 | 1 | 17 | 18 | 375 | 18 | 691 | | | |
| Regina, Saskatchewan | 68 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 68 | | | |
| Saguenay, Quebec | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 27 | | | |
| Saint John, New Brunswick | 58 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 79 | | | |
| Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | 103 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 67 | 3 | 189 | | | |
| Sherbrooke, Quebec | 60 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 52 | 25 | 139 | | | |
| St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario | 138 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 155 | | | |
| St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador | 207 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 46 | 0 | 260 | | | |
| Thunder Bay, Ontario | 40 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 44 | | | |
| Toronto, Ontario | 1,445 | 0 | 413 | 387 | 276 | 35 | 2,556 | | | |
| Trois-Rivières, Quebec | 44 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 48 | 3 | 111 | | | |
| Vancouver, British Columbia | 522 | 0 | 24 | 303 | 479 | 13 | 1,341 | | | |
| Victoria, British Columbia | 117 | 2 | 8 | 32 | 50 | 11 | 220 | | | |
| Windsor, Ontario | 150 | 0 | 12 | 11 | 29 | 0 | 202 | | | |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | 249 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 303 | | | |

Table 9 Dwelling Units, Census Metropolitan Areas, Unadjusted, January - May 2004

| Census Metropolitan Areas | Number of dwelling unit | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|----------|---------|-------|------------|-------------|--------------------|--|--|
| | Singles, includes mobile homes | Cottages | Doubles | Rows | Apartments | Conversions | Total dwellings | | |
| Abbotsford, British Columbia | 263 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 138 | 1 | 422 | | |
| Calgary, Alberta | 3,386 | 0 | 353 | 389 | 2,044 | 17 | 6,189 | | |
| Edmonton, Alberta | 2,522 | 0 | 470 | 127 | 2,138 | 230 | 5,487 | | |
| Greater Sudbury, Ontario | 119 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 123 | | |
| Halifax, Nova Scotia | 618 | 1 | 41 | 35 | 681 | 13 | 1,389 | | |
| Hamilton, Ontario | 718 | 0 | 67 | 409 | 138 | 10 | 1,342 | | |
| Kingston, Ontario | 283 | 0 | 2 | 26 | 6 | 0 | 317 | | |
| Kitchener, Ontario | 856 | 0 | 84 | 216 | 160 | 36 | 1,352 | | |
| London, Ontario | 916 | 0 | 10 | 134 | 415 | 15 | 1,490 | | |
| Montréal, Quebec | 5,291 | 0 | 389 | 540 | 5,553 | 849 | 12,622 | | |
| Oshawa, Ontario | 877 | 0 | 301 | 391 | 0 | 0 | 1,569 | | |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec | 1,947 | 6 | 262 | 1,022 | 521 | 47 | 3,805 | | |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec | 1,241 | 1 | 162 | 1,002 | 347 | 22 | 2,775 | | |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec | 706 | 5 | 100 | 20 | 174 | 25 | 1,030 | | |
| Québec, Quebec | 1,326 | 4 | 194 | 139 | 1,277 | 75 | 3,015 | | |
| Regina, Saskatchewan | 236 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 161 | 0 | 399 | | |
| Saguenay, Quebec | 75 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 27 | 31 | 149 | | |
| Saint John, New Brunswick | 167 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 50 | 7 | 235 | | |
| Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | 304 | 0 | 48 | 138 | 101 | 5 | 596 | | |
| Sherbrooke, Quebec | 279 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 333 | 30 | 652 | | |
| St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario | 470 | 0 | 30 | 86 | 46 | 17 | 649 | | |
| St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador | 572 | 0 | 14 | 6 | 92 | 4 | 688 | | |
| Thunder Bay, Ontario | 88 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 98 | | |
| Toronto, Ontario | 7,914 | 0 | 1,547 | 2,209 | 4,941 | 120 | 16,731 | | |
| Trois-Rivières, Quebec | 151 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 132 | 9 | 318 | | |
| Vancouver, British Columbia | 2,414 | 0 | 92 | 1,725 | 3,484 | 54 | 7,769 | | |
| Victoria, British Columbia | 521 | 7 | 20 | 85 | 286 | 22 | 941 | | |
| Windsor, Ontario | 673 | 0 | 60 | 120 | 138 | 1 | 992 | | |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | 973 | 0 | 17 | 1 | 74 | 0 | 1,065 | | |

Table 10
Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Unadjusted, 2004

| Month | Value of construction (thousands of dollars) | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Residential | | Non-residential | | Total | | | | |
| | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and governmental | | | | | |
| Canada | | | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 3,587,312 | 211,906 | 775,046 | 406,327 | 4,980,591 | | | | |
| May ^p | 3,436,248 | 302,631 | 825,646 | 394,120 | 4,958,645 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 14,101,293 12,172,256 | 1,200,038 1,477,630 | 3,345,694 3,526,829 | 1,676,342 2,139,613 | 20,323,367 19,316,328 | | | | |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | | | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 38,827 | 758 | 2,828 | 1,054 | 43,467 | | | | |
| May ^p | 54,213 | 52 | 14,356 | 391 | 69,012 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 124,305 89,187 | 1,398 1,704 | 29,362 19,332 | 3,385 8,296 | 158,450 118,519 | | | | |
| Prince Edward Island | | | | | | | | | |
| April ^r | 9,784 | 300 | 10,228 | 0 | 20,312 | | | | |
| May ^p Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 16,538 38,782 | 1,294 1,644 | 2,684 15,953 | 1,000 6,016 | 21,516 62,395 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 37,482 | 1,307 | 38,719 | 6,992 | 84,500 | | | | |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | | | |
| April ^r May ^p | 94,837 | 1,545 3,727 | 38,366 | 3,342 | 138,090 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 100,904 298,014 | 16,233 | 12,893 87,732 | 20,645 31,860 | 138,169 433,839 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 252,861 | 30,783 | 81,572 | 31,402 | 396,618 | | | | |
| New Brunswick | | | | | | | | | |
| April ^r May ^p | 54,445 65,021 | 5,202 2,487 | 10,540 12,961 | 4,876 4,912 | 75,063 85,381 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 164,404 | 17,526 | 40,619 | 12,225 | 234,774 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 143,771 | 12,843 | 51,730 | 11,941 | 220,285 | | | | |
| Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| April ^r May ^p | 810,121 842,795 | 56,191 47,548 | 136,853 174,124 | 88,285 93,918 | 1,091,450 1,158,385 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 3,249,604 | 336,272 | 682,145 | 362,775 | 4,630,796 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 2,563,160 | 247,011 | 718,913 | 331,605 | 3,860,689 | | | | |
| Ontario | 4.570.070 | 440.400 | 000 500 | 404 450 | 0.440.004 | | | | |
| April ^r May ^p | 1,572,373 1,264,286 | 110,483 179,167 | 239,580 332,023 | 191,458 128,898 | 2,113,894 1,904,374 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 5,675,620 | 597,789 | 1,278,184 | 800,065 | 8,351,658 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 5,345,395 | 897,296 | 1,411,906 | 1,147,640 | 8,802,237 | | | | |
| Manitoba | 00.400 | 4.000 | 40.500 | 0.447 | 07.005 | | | | |
| April ^r May ^p | 68,403 72,625 | 4,009 4,099 | 16,506 22,328 | 8,147 12,663 | 97,065 111,715 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 248,836 | 19,081 | 80,369 | 45,381 | 393,667 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 189,401 | 41,177 | 131,464 | 137,958 | 500,000 | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | 50 100 | 4 447 | 00 504 | 0.404 | 00.005 | | | | |
| April ^r May ^p | 50,130 46,951 | 1,117 3,184 | 32,534 20,563 | 9,424 20,189 | 93,205 90,887 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 156,623 | 14,106 | 77,298 | 47,708 | 295,735 | | | | |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 146,689 | 10,245 | 104,926 | 57,011 | 318,871 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

Table 10 Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Provinces and Territories, Unadjusted, 2004 – Concluded

| Month | | Value of c | onstruction (thousands | s of dollars) | |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| | Residential | | Non-residential | | Total |
| | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and governmental | |
| Alberta | | | | | |
| April ^r | 415,644 | 18,574 | 188,804 | 79,395 | 702,417 |
| May ^p | 459.170 | 43,279 | 135,808 | 49,092 | 687,349 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 1,850,614 | 116,900 | 586,895 | 213,338 | 2,767,747 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,680,553 | 143,187 | 546,472 | 210,366 | 2,580,578 |
| British Columbia | | | | | |
| April ^r | 464,224 | 13,719 | 96,063 | 19,088 | 593,094 |
| May ^p | 507,280 | 17,329 | 93,419 | 36,054 | 654,082 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 2,269,597 | 78,231 | 450,247 | 115,977 | 2,914,052 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 1,707,067 | 90,594 | 407,052 | 177,751 | 2,382,464 |
| Yukon Territory | | | | | |
| April ^r | 3,906 | 8 | 484 | 173 | 4,571 |
| May ^p | 2,054 | 420 | 64 | 24,663 | 27,201 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 7,413 | 472 | 1,253 | 25,331 | 34,469 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 5,262 | 33 | 9,332 | 3,464 | 18,091 |
| Northwest Territories | | | | | |
| April ^r | 3,956 | 0 | 2,230 | 190 | 6,376 |
| May ^p | 3,428 | 45 | 4,381 | 250 | 8,104 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 14,302 | 386 | 15,255 | 526 | 30,469 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 10,586 | 1,448 | 5,236 | 8,099 | 25,369 |
| Nunavut | | | | | |
| April ^r | 662 | 0 | 30 | 895 | 1,587 |
| May ^p | 983 | 0 | 42 | 1,445 | 2,470 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2004 | 3,179 | 0 | 382 | 11,755 | 15,316 |
| Cumulative Jan May 2003 | 842 | 2 | 175 | 7,088 | 8,107 |

Table 11
Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Census Metropolitan Areas, Unadjusted, May 2004

| Census Metropolitan Areas | | Value of c | onstruction (thousand | s of dollars) | |
|---|-------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| | Residential | | Non-residential | | Total |
| | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and governmental | |
| Abbotsford, British Columbia | 11,878 | 419 | 172 | 450 | 12,919 |
| Calgary, Alberta | 176,865 | 2,310 | 43,707 | 13,855 | 236,737 |
| Edmonton, Alberta | 142,728 | 9,855 | 44,135 | 7,354 | 204,072 |
| Greater Sudbury, Ontario | 9,503 | 36 | 1,303 | 12,039 | 22,881 |
| Halifax, Nova Scotia | 51,865 | 500 | 8,199 | 18,830 | 79,394 |
| Hamilton, Ontario | 51,035 | 731 | 25,755 | 4,742 | 82,263 |
| Kingston, Ontario | 16,020 | 66 | 808 | 16,984 | 33,878 |
| Kitchener, Ontario | 54,419 | 6,568 | 14,891 | 9,686 | 85,564 |
| London, Ontario | 52,463 | 4,571 | 15,518 | 6,534 | 79,086 |
| Montréal, Quebec | 425,855 | 13,118 | 67,605 | 30,670 | 537,248 |
| Oshawa, Ontario | 52,939 | 976 | 7,472 | 1,385 | 62,772 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec | 137,190 | 1,833 | 48,491 | 7,818 | 195,332 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec | 97,143 | 1,390 | 38,719 | 7,307 | 144,559 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec | 40,047 | 443 | 9,772 | 511 | 50,773 |
| Québec, Quebec | 83,351 | 3,893 | 38,983 | 38,164 | 164,391 |
| Regina, Saskatchewan | 11,978 | 942 | 7,462 | 1,882 | 22,264 |
| Saguenay, Quebec | 4,614 | 1,671 | 3,223 | 1,075 | 10,583 |
| Saint John, New Brunswick | 9,837 | 297 | 1,087 | 493 | 11,714 |
| Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | 22,008 | 1,597 | 5,392 | 2,605 | 31,602 |
| Sherbrooke, Quebec | 19,930 | 1,784 | 447 | 675 | 22,836 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario | 30,394 | 3,430 | 22,448 | 7,214 | 63,486 |
| St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador | 37,984 | 50 | 10,705 | 12 | 48,751 |
| Thunder Bay, Ontario | 7,556 | 36 | 574 | 7 | 8,173 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 489,672 | 109,994 | 148,758 | 43,675 | 792,099 |
| Trois-Rivières, Quebec | 14,933 | 145 | 4,129 | 1,000 | 20,207 |
| Vancouver, British Columbia | 282,430 | 8,556 | 69,757 | 17,316 | 378,059 |
| Victoria, British Columbia | 47,171 | 846 | 4,617 | 4,818 | 57,452 |
| Windsor, Ontario | 36,524 | 285 | 6,765 | 1,191 | 44,765 |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | 40,722 | 661 | 11,316 | 11,176 | 63,875 |

Table 12 Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits, Census Metropolitan Areas, Unadjusted, January – May 2004

| Census Metropolitan Areas | | Value of c | onstruction (thousand | ls of dollars) | |
|---|-------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| | Residential | | Non-residential | | Total |
| | | Industrial | Commercial | Institutional and governmental | |
| Abbotsford, British Columbia | 52,559 | 7,322 | 3,420 | 1,785 | 65,086 |
| Calgary, Alberta | 783,369 | 21,383 | 282,857 | 93,067 | 1,180,676 |
| Edmonton, Alberta | 561,772 | 22,031 | 163,048 | 34,052 | 780,903 |
| Greater Sudbury, Ontario | 20,288 | 1,335 | 3,554 | 13,476 | 38,653 |
| Halifax, Nova Scotia | 183,513 | 2,199 | 48,015 | 26,650 | 260,377 |
| Hamilton, Ontario | 217,983 | 20,634 | 72,064 | 22,617 | 333,298 |
| Kingston, Ontario | 43,731 | 887 | 9,217 | 27,472 | 81,307 |
| Kitchener, Ontario | 200,463 | 27,247 | 49,328 | 73,452 | 350,490 |
| London, Ontario | 199,579 | 15,532 | 48,701 | 79,168 | 342,980 |
| Montréal, Quebec | 1,743,479 | 111,256 | 359,716 | 205,342 | 2,419,793 |
| Oshawa, Ontario | 274,231 | 10,903 | 26,477 | 26,586 | 338,197 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec | 588,490 | 10,170 | 154,843 | 60,747 | 814,250 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec | 439,465 | 4,787 | 125,521 | 51,357 | 621,130 |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec | 149,025 | 5,383 | 29,322 | 9,390 | 193,120 |
| Québec, Quebec | 363,583 | 12,709 | 106,936 | 63,261 | 546,489 |
| Regina, Saskatchewan | 52,931 | 7,367 | 24,710 | 9,222 | 94,230 |
| Saguenay, Quebec | 18,699 | 4,201 | 10,333 | 2,806 | 36,039 |
| Saint John, New Brunswick | 26,457 | 3,226 | 6,377 | 1,124 | 37,184 |
| Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | 64,704 | 3,805 | 22,115 | 4,619 | 95,243 |
| Sherbrooke, Quebec | 72,076 | 4,682 | 14,183 | 4,682 | 95,623 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario | 111,636 | 9,567 | 81,715 | 22,002 | 224,920 |
| St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador | 94,673 | 712 | 22,776 | 2,391 | 120,552 |
| Thunder Bay, Ontario | 17,407 | 1,241 | 9,100 | 5,432 | 33,180 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 2,863,882 | 307,729 | 629,172 | 301,490 | 4,102,273 |
| Trois-Rivières, Quebec | 41,879 | 4,431 | 17,636 | 2,158 | 66,104 |
| Vancouver, British Columbia | 1,389,601 | 26,245 | 311,133 | 61,975 | 1,788,954 |
| Victoria, British Columbia | 170,386 | 4,767 | 24,866 | 12,687 | 212,706 |
| Windsor, Ontario | 154,034 | 10,852 | 28,680 | 5,287 | 198,853 |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | 151,374 | 12,090 | 54,466 | 38,840 | 256,770 |

Table 13 Value of the Non-residential Permits by Type of Building, Provinces and Territories, May 2004

| Type of building | Canada | N.L. | P.E.I. | N.S. | N.B. | Que. | Ont. | Man. | Sask. | Alta | B.C. | Yukon | N.W.T. | Nunavut |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------------|------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
| | | | | | | | thousands o | of dollars | | | | | | |
| Total non-residential | 1,522,397 | 14,799 | 4,978 | 37,265 | 20,360 | 315,590 | 640,088 | 39,090 | 43,936 | 228,179 | 146,802 | 25,147 | 4,676 | 1,487 |
| Industrial | 302,631 | 52 | 1,294 | 3,727 | 2,487 | 47,548 | 179,167 | 4,099 | 3,184 | 43,279 | 17,329 | 420 | 45 | 0 |
| Factories, plants | 126,775 | 0 | 0 | 2,400 | 0 | 17,609 | 80,437 | 0 | 1,878 | 18,882 | 5,569 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transportation, utilities | 63,258 | 0 | 1,000 | 0 | 1,524 | 3,434 | 53,040 | 250 | 0 | 3,740 | 0 | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| Mining and agriculture | 61,405 | 0 | 0 | 250 | 332 | 13,392 | 22,611 | 2,445 | 425 | 16,377 | 5,573 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Minor industrial projects, | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| new and improvements ¹ | 51,193 | 52 | 294 | 1,077 | 631 | 13,113 | 23,079 | 1,404 | 881 | 4,280 | 6,187 | 150 | 45 | 0 |
| Commercial | 825,646 | 14,356 | 2,684 | 12,893 | 12,961 | 174,124 | 332,023 | 22,328 | 20,563 | 135,808 | 93,419 | 64 | 4,381 | 42 |
| Trade and services | 252,043 | 900 | 1,100 | 5,852 | 7,299 | 57,280 | 114,459 | 9,285 | 6,816 | 34,659 | 12,818 | 0 | 1,575 | 0 |
| Warehouses | 76,755 | 0 | 0 | 885 | 0 | 6,400 | 24,356 | 4,268 | 2,932 | 25,297 | 12,617 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Service stations | 28,568 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,360 | 11,822 | 1,221 | 3,870 | 8,295 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Office buildings | 147,854 | 2,080 | 0 | 1,053 | 600 | 48,792 | 50,415 | 3,286 | 1,078 | 28,015 | 11,935 | 0 | 600 | 0 |
| Recreation | 76,397 | 0 | 525 | 0 | 440 | 3,129 | 38,793 | 0 | 1,300 | 5,260 | 25,170 | 0 | 1,780 | 0 |
| Hotels, restaurants | 100,742 | 9,580 | 475 | 0 | 440 | 24,282 | 42,589 | 0 | 0 | 13,142 | 10,234 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Laboratories | 3,060 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,500 | 280 | 0 | 0 | 1,280 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Minor commercial projects, | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| new and improvements ¹ | 140,227 | 1,796 | 584 | 5,103 | 4,182 | 30,881 | 48,089 | 3,988 | 4,567 | 21,140 | 19,365 | 64 | 426 | 42 |
| Institutional and | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| governmental | 394,120 | 391 | 1,000 | 20,645 | 4,912 | 93,918 | 128,898 | 12,663 | 20,189 | 49,092 | 36,054 | 24,663 | 250 | 1,445 |
| Schools, education | 141,093 | 0 | 0 | 18,810 | 3,320 | 14,045 | 69,762 | 1,005 | 1,724 | 15,048 | 17,129 | 0 | 250 | 0 |
| Hospitals, medical | 64,306 | 273 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 43,614 | 15,656 | 770 | 0 | 1,414 | 2,579 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Welfare, home | 85,396 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19,975 | 6,103 | 8,800 | 17,153 | 20,540 | 12,275 | 0 | 0 | 550 |
| Churches, religion | 20,950 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 400 | 4,400 | 10,255 | 600 | 0 | 3,780 | 620 | 0 | 0 | 895 |
| Government buildings | 54,160 | 0 | 694 | 1,585 | 0 | 3,438 | 18,172 | 0 | 0 | 5,058 | 550 | 24,663 | 0 | 0 |
| Minor institutional and governmental projects, | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| new and improvements ¹ | 28,215 | 118 | 306 | 250 | 1,192 | 8,446 | 8,950 | 1,488 | 1,312 | 3,252 | 2,901 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

¹ Refer to projects valued at less than \$250,000 for which the breakdown by type of building is not available.

Part IV - Monthly Survey of Building Permits - Data Quality, Concepts and Methodology

The following information should be used to ensure a clear understanding of the basic concepts that define the data provided in this product, of the underlying methodology of the survey, and of key aspects of the data quality. This information will provide you with a better understanding of the strengths and limitations of the data, and of how they can be effectively used and analysed. The information may be of particular importance to you when making comparisons with data from other surveys or sources of information, and in drawing conclusions regarding change over time.

Data Sources and Methodology

The purpose of the Monthly Survey of Building Permits issued by Canadian municipalities is to collect data on construction intentions. The results of this survey are used by C.M.H.C. (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation) as a reference base for conducting a monthly survey of housing starts and completions in accordance with its mandate. The statistics on building permits are also essential for the computation of capital expenditures. Furthermore, since the issuance of a building permit is one of the first steps in the construction process, these statistics are widely used as a leading indicator of building activity.

General methodology: The Building Permits Survey covers all Canadian municipalities that issue permits. The number of Canadian municipalities currently surveyed exceeds 2,350, representing all the provinces and territories. They account for 95% of the Canadian population. Participation in the survey is mandatory; the survey does not use a predetermined sample of municipalities. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small, and their level of building activity have little impact on the total. In practice, all urban agglomerations are represented in the survey, as well as a fair percentage of rural municipalities. With certain exceptions, the minimum coverage corresponds to the municipalities already included in the Housing Starts and Completions C.M.H.C.'s Survey. Non-responding municipalities that issue permits are urged on a regular basis to respond to the Building Permit Survey. Therefore, the number of municipalities covered is increasing continually.

The survey is usually conducted by mail, although certain municipalities choose to respond by telephone. The municipal officer responsible for issuing permits is asked to fill out a form each month describing all major construction projects.

The municipalities forward a copy of their completed report to Statistics Canada Head Office and another copy to the local office of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (C.M.H.C.). To reduce their overhead, an increasing number of respondents are producing a computerized report. Only those municipalities that are late in reporting and that are included in the above-mentioned C.M.H.C. survey are subject to follow-up by telephone.

The reports received at Statistics Canada Head Office are verified, coded and processed.

Strict quality control procedures are applied to ensure that collection, coding and data processing are as accurate as possible. Checks are also performed on totals and the magnitude of data. Reports that fail to meet the quality standards are subject to verification and are corrected as required.

Imputations are required for each characteristic for which no report has been received. These are calculated automatically, subject to certain constraints, by applying to previously used values, the month-to-month and year-toyear changes in similar values of responding municipalities and the historical pattern of the missing municipalities. No estimation is done for lack of coverage, concealment or the underevaluation of permits issued. For this reason, the sampling error cannot be computed.

The monthly statistics are not corrected for cancelled or expired permits. According to the municipal officers, the proportion of cancelled and unused permits is below 5%.

Reference period: The reference period for data collection purposes is the calendar month. Reports from municipalities which are part of a census metropolitan area or a census agglomeration must be received within 20 days following the month of reference. The other municipalities have 30 days to produce their reports. Results are released between 35 and 40 days after the end of the reference month. Annual data for the preceding calendar year are released with the data for the January survey month.

Revisions: Two types of revisions can affect the results of the Building Permits Survey:

Revisions Due to the Correction of Coding Errors

These types of revisions are done on a monthly basis only to the data pertaining to the month preceding the reference period.

Revisions Due to the addition of Late Reports

Late reports for the month preceding the reference period are incorporated into the survey results on a continuing basis. However, reports received after the two-month deadline following the reference month are introduced only at the end of the year. As a result, the data for the last twelve months are subject to revision.

Seasonal Adjustment: Seasonal changes cause predictable fluctuations in the data. The data series disseminated includes both seasonally adjusted (i.e., excludes predictable annual influences) and the unadjusted data. Seasonally adjusted data for the total number of housing units as well as for the aggregate value of building permits are obtained indirectly, i.e., by adding their seasonally adjusted components. The total number of dwelling units is obtained by summing the seasonally adjusted data for single-family and multiple-use units; the total value of building permits is obtained by summing the following elements: single-family and multiple-family dwellings, industrial, commercial and institutional. Some series contain no apparent seasonality. In these cases, unadjusted values have been tabulated and agregated to the adjusted values of the other series. At the end of the year, the chronological series adjusted for seasonality are revised to take into account the most recent seasonal fluctuations. Generally, these revisions apply only to the last three years in the series. The revised data are introduced into the CANSIM databank.

Concepts and Variables Measured

The statistical data presented in this product refers to the number of dwelling units authorized and the value of building permits. The value of the permits reported includes the following expenditures: materials, labour, profit and overhead. The cost of land is never included in the estimated value of the permit while acquisition costs (legal fees, surveying fees and accrued interest) may be included at times.

The classification used in this publication deals strictly with structures for which a building permit was issued. Permits are generally issued for the following: construction of new buildings, alterations, additions, renovations, etc. Minor repair jobs such as painting, tiling, roofing, etc., for which no permit is required, and engineering work (such as dams, roads, pipelines, etc.), which, by definition, is not a building, are not included in the building permit series. Estimates of such work may be obtained from the publications Capital expenditures by type of asset (cat. no. 61-223) and Private and Public Investment in Canada Intentions (cat. no. 61-205).

The description given by the municipalities as to the type of building (box #6 of Section A on the form) and the type of work involved (box #7 of Section A on the form) forms

the basis for classification. The classification of buildings into major groups and subgroups is based on the following: intended use in the case of new buildings; present or intended use of buildings to which improvements are to be made; present use of the existing structure where the proposed construction is intended to provide additional facilities; principal use of the structure where the proposed construction has more than one intended use; however, where the building contains dwellings, the value of the construction is divided between residential and nonresidential use.

Building Categories

This publication, uses the following classification for the value of permits issued for construction of new buildings or for improvements: residential, industrial, commercial, institutional and government.

Residential. Includes all buildings intended for private occupancy whether on a permanent basis or not. Dwellings are divided into the following types: single-family, mobile, cottage, semi-detached, row house and apartment building.

Industrial. Includes all buildings used for manufacturing and processing; transportation, communication and other utilities, and agriculture, forestry and mining.

Commercial. Includes all buildings used to house activities related to the tertiary sector, such as stores, warehouses, garages, office buildings, theatres, hotels, funeral parlours and beauty salons.

Institutional and Government. Includes expenditures made by the community, public and government for buildings and structures like schools, universities, hospitals, clinics, churches, homes for the aged.

The **number of dwelling units** indicates the number of self contained dwelling units created. This should not be confused with the number of structures. For example, an apartment building containing six dwellings will be shown as six dwelling units. When an existing structure is converted into additional housing units, the number of units added is included. This publication uses the following classification for dwelling units:

Single-family. Refers to dwellings commonly called "single house". It includes single dwellings that are completely isolated on all sides, including single dwellings linked to other dwellings below ground. Included are bungalows, split levels, two-storey single-family homes built by conventional methods or prefabricated.

Mobile homes. Refers to houses designed and constructed to be transported on their own chassis and for easy moving. Cottage. Refers to dwellings that cannot be occupied yearround or on a permanent basis because the facilities required for comfort are inadequate.

Double or Semi-detached. Refers to dwellings in which each of the two dwellings are side by side and joined by a common wall or garage, but not attached to any other building and surrounded by open space.

Row Dwellings. Refers to a row of three or more dwellings attached to each other without dwellings above or below.

Apartment Building. Includes dwellings in a variety of buildings such as duplexes, semi-detached duplexes, triplexes, row duplexes, apartments as such and dwellings adjacent to non-residential structures.

Conversion. Refers to the number of dwellings added by conversion of existing structures.

Geographic Classification

Geographic entities are classified according to Standard Geographical Classification (SGC) used by Statistics Canada. Each reporting entity is assigned a twelve-digit SGC code for identification according to the following geographic levels:

Province and Territory (PR): There are ten provinces and three territories.

Economic Region (ER): Refers to intraprovincial regions established by the Standards Division of Statistics Canada. There are seventy-six ERs.

Census Division (CD): Refers to a group of census subdivisions established by provincial law. There are two hundred and ninety-one CDs (data on this geographic group is available on request).

Census Metropolitan Area (CMA): Its delineation corresponds to the 2001 Census definition. The term CMA refers to the main labour market area of an urban area (the urbanized core) of at least 100,000 population, based on the Census population figures. The twenty-seven CMAs are shown in this publication. Although the 2001 Census defines the Ottawa-Gatineau area as a single CMA, the area is also shown in this publication as two separate entities since it is located in two different provinces.

Census Agglomeration (CA): Refers to the smaller labour market area of an urbanized core of at least 10.000 population, as defined by the 2001 Census. There are one hundred and eighteen CAs in Canada. When a CA overlaps the boundaries of two provinces, it is shown partly in each province. The Lloydminster agglomeration is an exception to this rule. It is treated as if it was totally located in Alberta.

Other Municipalities of at Least 10,000 Population: Refers to municipalities not included in census agglomerations but with populations of at least 10,000 inhabitants. The distinction is made between these municipalities and CAs in order to permit comparison between the Building Permits Survey and the Housing Starts and Completions Survey which refers to this geographical concept.

Rural Area: Refers to all geographic entities not included in a CMA or CA and not identified as an urban centre by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Census Subdivision (CSD): Refers to the general term applying to municipalities, Indian reserves, Indian settlements and unorganized territories. However, since Indian reserves and settlements do not issue building permits, they are not included in this publication.

Non-standard Geographic Unit: The geographic units shown in this publication do not all satisfy the above definition of census subdivision. Some provincial or municipal administrations producing monthly reports do not correspond to the official geographic entities; they are nevertheless shown in this publication under the geographic entity used by these administrations. These so-called nonstandard geographic units are few in number and are mostly concentrated in the Maritime provinces.

Territorial revisions

Territorial boundaries were established according to the 2001 Census definitions. Changes in boundaries, status or name of census subdivisions between censuses are introduced in this publication on a yearly basis. Changes affecting the other geographic units (CMAs, CAs, CDs and ERs) are introduced every five years, eighteen months following the census.

Data Accuracy

Since the building permit data are extracted from municipal administrative documents, two types of response errors are possible: errors attributable to the permit applicant and errors in transcription by the responding municipality. However, experience has shown that transcription errors are not very common and the increasing number of municipalities producing computerized reports tends to reduce the frequency of this type of error. Errors attributable to an understatement of the cost of construction are more probable. Since permit fees are in most cases based on the value of the construction, this leads unquestionably to under-estimation of project values.

The other source of error are the processing error and the non-response error. In 2003, 99% of the municipalities covered by the survey sent their monthly Building Permits reports.

Comparability of Data and Related Sources

Comparison of data must be done with reservation considering that the methods of issuing permits and the methods of estimating building values can differ from one municipality to another. Also, comparisons involving different periods must take into account the constant increase in the number of municipalities participating in the survey.

This publication contains only part of the data produced on building permits. However, you may order unpublished tables or address special requests, to the Current Investment Indicators Section ((613) 951-4646 or 1-800-579-8533). The series presented here is also available on CANSIM: Tables 026-0001 to 026-0008, 026-0010 and 026-0015.

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| To avoid duplication of enquiry and to provide consistent statistics, this survey is being conducted under cooperative agreements, made in accordance with the Statistics Act, Revised Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter S19 under Section 11 for the exchange of information with: the Manitoba Bureau of Statistics, the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics and the British Columbia Central Statistics Bureau for respondents in each of the respective provinces; and under Section 12 for joint collection and sharing information with: the Northwest Territories Bureau of Statistics and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. | Afin d'éviter tout chevauchement des enquêtes et de fournir des statistiques uniformes, Statistique Canada mène cette enquête aux termes d'accords conjoints conclus en vertu de l'article 11 de la Loi sur la statistique, Lois révisées du Canada, 1985, chapitre S19 pour l'échange de renseignements avec: le «Manitoba Bureau of Statistics», le «Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics» et le «British Columbia Central Statistics Bureau» pour les répondants de ces différentes provinces; et en vertu de l'article 12 pour le rassemblement conjoint et l'échange de renseignements avec: le «Northwest Territories Bureau of Statistics» et la Société canadienne d'hypothèques et de logement. | | | | | |
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| Piscines creusées neuves | Multiple dwellings Logements multiples | 04 | ,000 | | |
| Other improvements | Single dwellings Logements simples | 05 | ,000 | | |
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Section D: Residential Demolitions – Démolitions résidentielles

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| No. of dwelling units demolished Nombre d'unités de logement démolies | 1 | | | | | |

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